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# HOUSE COMMITTEE ON FINANCE

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## NOTICE OF MEETING

**DATE:** Thursday, May 20, 2021  
**TIME:** 4:00 PM  
**PLACE:** Room 35 - State House

### SCHEDULED FOR HEARING AND/OR CONSIDERATION

**House Bill No. [5064](#)**

**BY McNamara**

**ENTITLED,** AN ACT RELATING TO TAXATION -- SALES AND USE TAXES -- LIABILITY AND COMPUTATION {LC161/1} (Exempts self-employed sole practicing investigators operating independently from any partnership, corporation, limited liability company or association from the sales tax imposed on services.)

01/22/2021 Introduced, referred to House Finance

05/17/2021 Scheduled for hearing and/or consideration

**House Bill No. [5109](#)**

**BY Fellela**

**ENTITLED,** AN ACT RELATING TO TAXATION -- SALES AND USE TAXES -- LIABILITY AND COMPUTATION {LC501/1} (Adds mileage of a motor vehicle to be considered by the tax administrator in defining the value of a motor vehicle for the purposes of the "casual" tax.)

01/22/2021 Introduced, referred to House Finance

05/17/2021 Scheduled for hearing and/or consideration

**House Bill No. [5116](#)**

**BY Solomon**

**ENTITLED,** AN ACT RELATING TO TAXATION -- SALES AND USE TAXES -- LIABILITY AND COMPUTATION {LC465/1} (Creates a sales tax holiday on August 7 and 8, 2021.)

01/25/2021 Introduced, referred to House Finance

05/17/2021 Scheduled for hearing and/or consideration

**House Bill No. [5209](#)**

**BY Azzinaro, Corvese**

**ENTITLED,** AN ACT RELATING TO TAXATION -- SALES AND USE TAXES -- LIABILITY AND COMPUTATION {LC775/1} (Grants a tax credit for any tax placed upon the sale of automobile parts which have a core charge.)

01/27/2021 Introduced, referred to House Finance

05/17/2021 Scheduled for hearing and/or consideration

**House Bill No. [5232](#)**

**BY McNamara, Amore, Noret, Casimiro**

**ENTITLED,** AN ACT RELATING TO EDUCATION -- FOUNDATION LEVEL SCHOOL SUPPORT {LC754/1} (Extends the time period that schools have to commence construction to correct health and safety deficiencies in order to qualify for increased school housing aid.)

01/29/2021 Introduced, referred to House Finance

05/17/2021 Scheduled for hearing and/or consideration

**House Bill No. [5237](#)**

**BY McNamara, Amore, Noret, Casimiro, Potter, Baginski**

**ENTITLED,** AN ACT RELATING TO EDUCATION {LC1104/1} (Amends the method of calculating state aid to education for the 2021-2022 school year only.)

01/29/2021 Introduced, referred to House Education

02/24/2021 Committee transferred to House Finance

05/17/2021 Scheduled for hearing and/or consideration

**House Bill No. [5364](#)**

**BY Amore**

**ENTITLED,** AN ACT RELATING TO TAXATION -- SALES AND USE TAXES -- LIABILITY AND COMPUTATION {LC213/1} (Extends the sales tax exemption of a manufacturer who processes raw materials into finished goods.)

02/05/2021 Introduced, referred to House Finance

05/17/2021 Scheduled for hearing and/or consideration

**House Bill No. [5459](#)**

**BY Cortvriend, McGaw, Cassar, Knight, Casimiro**

**ENTITLED,** AN ACT RELATING TO FOODS AND DRUGS -- THE UNIFORM CONTROLLED SUBSTANCES ACT {LC695/1} (Expands drug awareness programs to high schools, directs funding from certain civil fines and mandates establishment of criteria for funding.)

02/10/2021 Introduced, referred to House Finance

05/17/2021 Scheduled for hearing and/or consideration

**House Bill No. [5527](#)**

**BY Speakman, Carson, Donovan, Cortvriend, Handy, Morales**

**ENTITLED,** AN ACT RELATING TO TAXATION -- SALES AND USE TAXES -- LIABILITY AND COMPUTATION {LC1504/1} (Exempts reusable bags not including paper or plastic bags from the state sales tax.)

02/12/2021 Introduced, referred to House Finance

05/17/2021 Scheduled for hearing and/or consideration

**House Bill No. [5540](#)**

**BY Tobon, Baginski, Alzate, Edwards, Barros, Amore, Craven**

**ENTITLED,** AN ACT RELATING TO EDUCATION - THE MEDICAL PROFESSIONAL SCHOLARSHIP PROGRAM {LC1247/1} (Establishes medical professional scholarship program within postsecondary education council with commission awarding \$5,000 for 4 years of college attendance to eligible applicants funded by \$25 assessment fee on medical professionals seeking licensure.)

02/12/2021 Introduced, referred to House Finance

05/17/2021 Scheduled for hearing and/or consideration

**House Bill No. [5606](#)**

**BY** **Cardillo, Fellela, Costantino, Corvese, Batista, Williams, Perez, Solomon**

**ENTITLED**, AN ACT RELATING TO TAXATION -- SALES AND USE TAXES--LIABILITY AND COMPUTATION {LC1473/1} (Exempts the trade-in value of pickup trucks under eight thousand one hundred pounds (8,100 lbs.) gross weight, used exclusively for personal use, from sales tax.)

02/15/2021 Introduced, referred to House Finance

05/17/2021 Scheduled for hearing and/or consideration

**House Bill No. [5670](#)**

**BY** **Baginski, Caldwell, Potter**

**ENTITLED**, AN ACT RELATING TO TAXATION -- COMMUNITY COLLEGE APPRENTICE TAX CREDIT {LC886/1} (Creates tax credit up to \$3,500 per year for employers of qualifying apprentices commencing after 12/31/21 with 3 year carry forward provision)

02/24/2021 Introduced, referred to House Finance

05/17/2021 Scheduled for hearing and/or consideration

**House Bill No. [5684](#)**

**BY** **Handy, Craven, Ackerman, Bennett, Kislak, Tanzi, Carson, Felix, Ruggiero, Chippendale**

**ENTITLED**, AN ACT RELATING TO TAXATION -- SALES AND USE TAXES--LIABILITY AND COMPUTATION {LC1809/1} (Exempts bicycles from sales and use tax.)

02/24/2021 Introduced, referred to House Finance

05/17/2021 Scheduled for hearing and/or consideration

**House Bill No. [5786](#)**

**BY** **Vella-Wilkinson, Noret, Perez, Chippendale, Casey, Solomon, McNamara, Casimiro, Filippi, Fenton-Fung**

**ENTITLED**, AN ACT RELATING TO TAXATION -- GUN SAFE TAX CREDIT {LC1795/1} (Creates a tax credit for the purchase of a qualified gun safe, not to exceed \$1,000. It would also exempt gun safes from the sales tax.)

02/24/2021 Introduced, referred to House Finance

05/17/2021 Scheduled for hearing and/or consideration

**House Bill No. [5798](#)**

**BY** **Marszalkowski**

**ENTITLED**, AN ACT RELATING TO TAXATION -- SALES AND USE TAXES--LIABILITY AND COMPUTATION {LC1675/1} (Exempts from sales tax meals sold to its employees by public, private, or parochial schools, school districts, colleges, universities, student organizations, and parent-teacher associations.)

02/24/2021 Introduced, referred to House Finance

05/17/2021 Scheduled for hearing and/or consideration

**House Bill No. [5800](#)**

**BY Marszalkowski**

**ENTITLED,** AN ACT RELATING TO EDUCATION -- SCHOOL FUNDS AND PROPERTY {LC1724/1} (Establishes a pilot program to promote the creation of roof solar installations on school property in order to reduce the use of fossil fuels and to generate electricity in school buildings.)

02/24/2021 Introduced, referred to House Finance

05/17/2021 Scheduled for hearing and/or consideration

**House Bill No. [5808](#)**

**BY Morales, Williams, Ranglin-Vassell, J Lombardi, Batista**

**ENTITLED,** AN ACT RELATING TO TOWNS AND CITIES -- GENERAL POWERS {LC1758/1} (Authorizes municipalities to tax school tuition and school meals. Contains exemptions from taxation.)

02/24/2021 Introduced, referred to House Finance

05/17/2021 Scheduled for hearing and/or consideration

**House Bill No. [5812](#)**

**BY Casey, Phillips, S Lima, Hull, Edwards**

**ENTITLED,** AN ACT RELATING TO TAXATION - SALES AND USE TAXES - LIABILITY AND COMPUTATION {LC430/1} (Exempts from the sales and use tax that portion of a motor vehicle lease payment collected for tangible personal property tax, municipal property tax, excise, or any other similar tax.)

02/24/2021 Introduced, referred to House Finance

05/17/2021 Scheduled for hearing and/or consideration

**House Bill No. [5931](#)**

**BY Ranglin-Vassell, Carson, Donovan, Ajello, Hull, Potter, Alzate, Barros, Biah, Henries**

**ENTITLED,** AN ACT RELATING TO EDUCATION -- FEDERAL AID {LC386/1} (Requires free lunches to be provided for all elementary and secondary students attending public schools, to the extent state and federal funds are available.)

02/25/2021 Introduced, referred to House Finance

05/17/2021 Scheduled for hearing and/or consideration

**House Resolution No. [6027](#)**

**BY Morales, Batista, Williams, Kislak, Biah, Perez**

**ENTITLED,** JOINT RESOLUTION MAKING AN APPROPRIATION OF \$50,000 FOR FUNDING OF THE NONPROFIT AGENCY, INSPIRING MINDS, INC., TO BENEFIT PROVIDENCE ELEMENTARY SCHOOL STUDENTS {LC2207/1} (This resolution would authorize the appropriation of the sum of \$50,000 to Inspiring Minds, Inc. to train volunteers to provide personalized attention to Providence elementary school students.)

02/26/2021 Introduced, referred to House Finance

05/17/2021 Scheduled for hearing and/or consideration

**House Bill No. [6034](#)**

**BY Chippendale, Hull, Place, Quattrocchi, McLaughlin**

**ENTITLED,** AN ACT RELATING TO TAXATION - TAX CREDITS FOR CONTRIBUTIONS TO SCHOLARSHIP ORGANIZATIONS {LC1505/1} (Increases the aggregate amount of tax credits for contributions to scholarship organizations to \$5,000,000 for 2022.)

02/26/2021 Introduced, referred to House Finance

05/17/2021 Scheduled for hearing and/or consideration

**House Bill No. [6217](#)**

**BY Amore, O'Brien, Henries, Biah, Barros, Corvese**

**ENTITLED,** AN ACT RELATING TO EDUCATION -- RHODE ISLAND HOPE SCHOLARSHIP ACT {LC2371/1} (Establishes the Rhode Island hope scholarship act to provide up to the cost of two (2) years of tuition costs and mandatory fees for eligible students in hopes to increase the numbers for enrollment and graduation.)

04/08/2021 Introduced, referred to House Finance

05/17/2021 Scheduled for hearing and/or consideration

**House Bill No. [6267](#)**

**BY Costantino, McEntee, Caldwell, Corvese, Hawkins, Phillips**

**ENTITLED,** AN ACT RELATING TO TAXATION {LC2415/1} (Provides for an interest and penalty free period for the payment of sales and income taxes due to the state for the calendar year 2021 and continuing through March of 2021 for income taxes and August 2021 for sales taxes.)

04/28/2021 Introduced, referred to House Finance

05/17/2021 Scheduled for hearing and/or consideration

**House Bill No. [6338](#)**

**BY Fellela, Amore, Cardillo, Costantino**

**ENTITLED,** AN ACT RELATING TO EDUCATION -- THE EDUCATION EQUITY AND PROPERTY TAX RELIEF ACT -- CAREER AND TECHNICAL EDUCATION FUNDING {LC2829/1} (Requires that the state be solely responsible for the costs of students enrolled in career and technical education (CTE) and vocational programs outside their district.)

05/13/2021 Introduced, referred to House Finance

05/17/2021 Scheduled for hearing and/or consideration

**The State House remains closed to in-person testimony.**

The meeting will be televised live on Capitol Television, which can be seen on Cox Channels 15, and 61, in high definition on Cox Channel 1061, on Full Channel on Channel 15 and on Channel 34 by Verizon subscribers.

It will also be live streamed at <http://rilegislature.gov/CapTV/Pages/default.aspx> .

## **WRITTEN TESTIMONY**

Written testimony is strongly encouraged and may be submitted via  
**HouseFinance@rilegislature.gov**

**Indicate your name, bill number, and viewpoint (for/against/neither) at top of message.  
Due to high volume, clerks are not screening this inbox for verbal testimony requests.  
This inbox is for written testimony only.**

DEADLINE: Written testimony should be submitted no later than three (3) hours prior to the posted meeting time. Every effort will be made to share written testimony submitted before the deadline with committee members prior to the hearing. Testimony received after deadline will be sent to committee members and posted to the website as soon as possible.

**For faster processing, it is recommended that testimony is submitted as a PDF file.**

**Testimony will be posted on the General Assembly website,  
<http://www.rilegislature.gov/Special/comdoc/Pages/HFIN.aspx> .**

## **VERBAL TESTIMONY**

Due to the extremely high volume of requests, and in order to accommodate as many constituents as possible, please take note of the revised procedure for verbal testimony:

**\*DEADLINE: Requests for verbal testimony must be submitted via the link, by 4:00 PM on Wednesday, May 19, 2021.**

For verbal testimony requests, [CLICK HERE](#)

Verbal testimony accepted on any bill scheduled for "Hearing and/or Consideration" only

The committee is unable to designate a specific time that you will be called. In the event you are unavailable when called, witnesses are urged to submit written testimony.

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